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PATENT

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In Re Patent Application of: :
Jürgen BRINKHUES :
Conf. No.: 6214 : Group Art Unit: 3761
Appln. No.: 10/706,122 : Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
Filing Date: November 12, 2003 : Atty. Docket No.: 9003-286US(PC02167BUS)
Title: PHARMACEUTICAL SYRINGE PISTON AND METHOD AND DEVICE THEREFOR

TRANSMITTAL OF EXECUTED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

The above-identified patent application was filed with an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney on November 12, 2003. However, the date of the Foreign Priority Application information was incorrect. Accordingly, submitted herewith is the following for the above-identified application.

- Substitute Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- Request for Corrected Filing Receipt. Attached is a marked-up copy of the Filing Receipt showing corrections.
- Verified English translation of application as filed.
- Priority document: Certified copy(ies) of patent application No(s). , filed in on from which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.
- Formal drawings: sheets
- Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449, and cited references.
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- Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission, including:
 - Computer readable copy
 - Paper Copy
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- Other:

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[] Surcharge of **\$130** for late filing English translation.
[] Extension of time fee of . Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for a month extension of time to file this response.
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PHARMACEUTICAL SYRINGE PISTON AND METHOD AND DEVICE THEREFOR

the specification of which is attached hereto and/or was filed on November 12, 2003 as Application No. 10/706,122.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to herein.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(a)-(d), of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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			Priority Claimed [X] Yes [] No
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			[] Yes [] No

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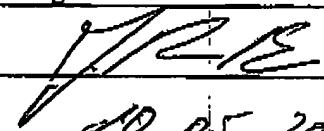
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